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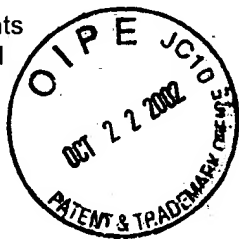
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 1, 2002. The Examiner therein required an election of claims from among nine different groups.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of IV, Claims 15-19 and 26-28), with traverse.

Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC §121 to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815.

Respectfully submitted,
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